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1. General.

Exercises at reinforced regimental level and of mixed combat groups of similar strength, which had been under way in all army areas of Soviet troops in Germany since mid-July 1955, continued until late August. The observation of a first divisional exercise, which terminated on 1 September, tends to indicate that the fall exercises of the divisions followed immediately without the previously observed interval of 2 to 3 weeks.

T-54 tanks kept _____ arriving until late August. The total number of tanks in the Soviet Zone of Germany thus increased by approximately one third. At present, the tank equipment of several tank divisions includes twice the number of tanks provided for by the T/O.

Prior to late August, some 200 shipments of Soviet army and air force units left Austria. Part of the shipments could be traced as far as the Hungarian/Rumanian border station LOEKOEZHAZA.

2. Exercises.

The training program, which is nearing completion, concentrated on intensive exercises in August. Between mid-July and late August, approximately 20 exercises at reinforced regimental level or of combat groups of similar strength were observed. _____ 50X1-HUM

Shipments observed indicated that advanced combat firing practices of artillery units at ALTENGRABOW and tank firing practices in the LETZLING HEATH were most intensive in mid-August. On about 8 August, 10 artillery brigades and artillery units of several divisions were simultaneously stationed at ALTENGRABOW, while approximately 700 tanks from all army areas practiced in the LETZLING HEATH on about 15 August. _____ 50X1-HUM

For information on tank and artillery firing practices in other training areas and AAA firing practices at WUSTROW and JUETERBOG _____ 50X1-HUM

The type of the exercises could not definitely be identified. It appeared that the exercises as well as the advanced combat firing practices concentrated on combined employment of tanks and artillery. It was noted that _____ the second half of _____ in HALDENLEBEN

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and HILLERSLEBEN, and, after the exercise, entrained in GARDELEGEN, JAEVENITZ and VINZELBERG. It is therefore assumed that tank firing practices at battalion or regimental level were conducted, presumably at the 20-km long SALCHAU tank firing range which extends from the unloading area toward the loading area.

Following the regimental exercises which, as mentioned in the preceding Monthly Report, started 3 weeks earlier than in 1954, the 7th Gds Mecz Div. conducted a divisional exercise between 24 August and 2 September. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the units are expected to return from the training grounds in late September. It can, therefore, be concluded that the divisional exercises will also terminate 3 weeks earlier than in the preceding year. It remains to be seen whether fall maneuvers of major units will subsequently be held until mid-October or if the training program will actually terminate 2 to 3 weeks earlier than in 1954.

3. Personnel.

First discharges of personnel in groups of up to 30 soldiers were observed as early as late August. Since at the same time, however, the large personnel exchange centers of the armys were still vacant and no information has been received on the assembling of shuttle trains for troop shipments, these soldiers are believed to have been discharged ahead of time in order to be employed in the harvesting of crops. [REDACTED]

discharges are expected to take place there during and after September. In August, it was observed that officers or, possibly officers' families, were exchanged between the Soviet Zone of Germany and the USSR.

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4. Tank Program. [REDACTED]

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A turning-in of T-34 tanks by the tank divisions as had been reported between March and early May 1955 has not been observed and it appears improbable that it took place after that date. T-34 tanks are still being used for exercises by the tank divisions. Definite conclusions on the reorganization of tank units and armored forces will, therefore, be possible only after the termination of arrivals of T-54 tanks and the evaluation of information on the next personnel exchange.

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5. [REDACTED]

6. Transportation.

- a. During the reported period, the traffic situation of the GDR railroads continued to be strained due to a high volume of commercial traffic and increased training activities of the Soviet occupation forces. For the first time, the KVP also claimed considerable transportation space. In addition, the GDR railroad system had to handle two major transportation operations:

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- (1) Rail shipments in connection with the 5th World Youth Festival in WARSAW (between 31 July and 15 August 1955).
- (2) Rail shipments for the second conference of the "Junge Pioniere" in DRESDEN (between 12 and 19 August 1955). The GDR railroad system had to make available a total of 50 trains for this conference.

The increased demands on the GDR railroads resulted in a shortage of locomotives. There was also a shortage of flatcars and freight cars.

- b. Railroad coal stocks, after [REDACTED] all-time high of 9.8 days' requirements on 4 July 1955, again and amounted only to 5.3 days' requirements. [REDACTED] stocks in September are scheduled to amount to 6 days. [REDACTED] daily coal consumption quota was fixed at 21,510 [REDACTED] units. This consumption quota represents the average [REDACTED] consumption of the last few weeks, actual coal consumption is believed to be higher than that due to the peak traffic expected for the fall months.
- c. Observations made indicate that there was no change in the rail traffic to and from the East.
 - (1) On the average, 80 freight cars were used daily for military supplies. Tanks, motor vehicles and aircraft were again observed arriving. The return of deactivated motor vehicles continued. The return of loaded aircraft crates was confirmed for the first time. Since the number of aircraft stationed at the Soviet occupied airfields has not notably increased in spite of the many aircraft shipped to the GDR since the beginning of 1955, it may be assumed that a major number of MiG-15s has been shipped back to the USSR for the MiG-17s sent to Germany. See also Paragraph 7.
 - (2) Grain shipments from the USSR continued to arrive at a low rate.
 - (3) In early August, hard coal imports had decreased by 30 percent compared with the volume of hard coal shipments imported for the previous weeks.
 - (4) After a prolonged period, crude oil shipments [REDACTED] were again observed for the first time. In August, a total of 21 railroad tank cars arrived in the GDR daily. This volume is 50 percent below the level previously observed. There was no change in the crude oil shipments from the USSR.
 - (5) Uranium ore shipments continued to be dispatched to the USSR at the previous rate.
- d. Railroad Construction Projects.
 - (1) Extensive clearing work and blasting operations on the bottom of Lake Templin were executed in connection with the construction of the SAARMUND - GOLM railroad line, a section of the Berlin Outer Freight Ring. The new line will hardly be completed before the fall of 1957.

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- (2) The enlargement of the Koethen border station was continued. Repair work on the Oder River bridge has been completed, and double-track railroad traffic to Poland could be resumed after 15 July 1955.
- (3) Work on the enlargement of the Horka freight station on the Polish border was started in late July.
- (4) The electrification of the Halle - Koethen railroad line was completed. Electric operations on this line are scheduled to be resumed on 2 October.
- (5) The electrification of the Leipzig - Bitterfeld - Rossau railroad line is scheduled to be executed in 1956.
- (6) The construction of numerous new railroad lines is planned in connection with the exploitation of the Spfemberg brown coal area.

e. Miscellaneous.

- (1) The plans for the manufacture of new steam locomotives within the framework of the second 5-year plan (1956 - 1960) were modified. The scheduled output of standard-gauge steam locomotives was reduced to 820 units. The number of locomotives scheduled to be built in 1955 was cut from 100 to 50. Prior to early August, quantity production of locomotives could not be started because the prototype locomotives suffered from serious defects.
- (2) Of the 72 German locomotives which were rented out to Poland in July 1955, a total of 48 units had been returned prior to early August 1955.
- (3) According to an agreement concluded between the "Deutsche Reichsbahn" and the Polish State Railroad, the GDR will return a total of 300 heavily damaged Polish locomotives in exchange for 25 serviceable German locomotives which are at present in Poland. The first damaged locomotives were sent to Poland via HORKA in late July.
- (4) The Bulgarian State Railroad ordered a total of 49 freight train locomotives from the GDR. Some of these locomotives were scheduled to be furnished in late 1955. ~~Since this target date cannot~~ be kept by the GDR, the East German government has ordered the leasing of locomotives to Bulgaria until the locomotives ordered can be supplied.

7. Supply.

a. Arrivals from the USSR.

- (1) The arrival of T-54 tanks continued in August. A total of approximately 1,800 T-54s arrived prior to 26 August 1955.
- (2) The arrival of motor vehicles, as well as the dispatching of old trucks, continued at a moderate level. Special vehicles, including repair shop and tank trucks and tractors were frequently observed.

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The shipments included an increasing number of sedans. Since the beginning of the motor vehicle exchange program in late July 1954, the GSFG received some 12,000 trucks (2-axle and 3-axle) and 500 sedans (jeeps). It is believed that not more than 6,000 to 8,000 old trucks were turned in.

- (3) Fuel shipments from the USSR continued at the same level as in preceding months with some 6,000 cubic meters. The shipments were predominantly bound for airfields of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army.

b. Special.

- (1) [redacted] the former Wifo fuel depot at DRUGENHEN - HEGEBERG in Samland was being utilized by the Soviets in 1954. The depot, which was almost completed in the spring of 1945, was captured by the Soviets undamaged. The depot is an underground installation with a capacity of more than 100,000 cubic meters. The Soviets allegedly completed the planned pipeline to the Peyse naval bridge at the PILLAU - KOENIGSBERG channel. The importance of the depot becomes evident when compared with the total capacity of all fuel depots of GSFG in the Soviet Zone of Germany (main depots and troop depots including airfields) which amounts to not more than 200,000 cubic meters. 50X1-HUM
- (2) A considerable number of innerzonal shipments of runway mats from BRANDIS and LEIPZIG - PLAGWITZ to SCHLOTHEIM tend to indicate that an auxiliary runway was to be installed at this field.

8. KVP.

a. Change of Quarters.

[redacted] the Sedan Bn of the Mdi/KVP from BERLIN - ADLERSHOF and the administrations of the Mdi/KVP rear services, billeting office and construction office from Schnellerstrasse in BERLIN were transferred to STRAUSBERG near BERLIN. Quarters in DEMMIN and KRUGAU northeast of LUEBBEN were occupied by unidentified KVP units. 50X1-HUM

b. Training.

A considerable number of units were stationed at training grounds and firing ranges; some of the units had already stayed there during the preceding month. Training at company level had been followed by exercises at battalion level, joint exercises with other units and, predominantly, night exercises. Units which had not been transferred to summer camps practiced near the posts or conducted summer training in tent camps in the vicinity of the posts. The majority of the engineer units had been transferred to water training sites. In one case, training was conducted under the supervision of Soviet officers. Individual KVP units were occasionally detached for employment in the harvest.

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c. Exercises and Transfers to Firing Ranges and Training Grounds.(1) Korps Nord.

29 July and 19 August Two shipments of elements Mtz Rifle Regt PRORA with 76-mm guns from BINZ to training grounds LUEBTHEEN south of HAGENOW.

early August Night exercises of small tank units in the area northeast of EGGESIN. Rcn Co/2d Mecz Regt KARPIN in bivouac on the Haff near ALTWARP. Elements of AAA Regt PASEWALK apparently at firing practices in KUEHLUNGSBORN and other elements of the regiment transferred to PRORA for 3 weeks.

8 - 12 August Elements of arty units KARPIN at firing practices in JAEGERBRUECK.

10/11 August Exercises in the area north of PASEWALK, presumably staff exercise of Hq Korps Nord.

after 12 August Exercises of the 2d Mecz Regt KARPIN at reinforced battalion level in the LUCKENWHLBECK area.

(2) Mecz Div POTSDAM

25/26 July Arty units, probably 2 battalions of How Arty Regt GLOEWEN and major engr unit arrived by rail at the training grounds east of KLIENTZ.

early August Ron Bn POTSDAM back at post. Training grounds east of KLIENTZ heavily occupied as previously, among other units by the bulk of Mecz Regt POTSDAM and elements of Mort Regt PREMELITZ. Elements of AAA Regt POTSDAM, which had remained at the post, departed, possibly to ALTENGRABOW.

10 - 18 August River crossing practices of some 200 KVPs, temporarily under protection of heavy weapons, on the Havel River near GOETTLIN northwest RATHENOW; probably elements Mecz Regt POTSDAM, which came from the training grounds east of KLIENTZ.

11.12 August GROEN - WUDICKE railroad station: 25 tanks unloaded (Soviet soldiers and KVPs seen with the tanks).

11.12 August and Allegedly 48 tanks unloaded.

15 - 17 August Arty Bn of Mecz Regt ORANIENBURG again at the post. Elements of tank units ORANIENBURG rotated to the LEHNITZER FORST.

21 August Armored elements of Mecz Regt BRANDENBURG - HOHENSTUECKEN entrained for undetermined destination at the BRANDENBURG - ALTSTADT railroad station.

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(3) Korps Sued

Late July	Elements of Mtz Rifle Regt WEISSENFELS at summer camp in the ANNABERG/Erzgebirge area.
after late July	WEISSWASSER training grounds apparently heavily occupied, among other units by elements of tank units from SPREMBERG.
30 July and 5 August	Presumably retransfer of How Arty Regt LEIPZIG from training grounds north of TORGAU to post.
31 July and 3 August	Major elements of AAA Regt LEIPZIG and AAA Bn HALLE probably transferred to ROSTOCK area (WUSTROW firing range?).
early August	Tent camp on the Werra River near MIHLA, presumably of elements Engr Bn MUEHLHAUSEN.
3 August	Presumably retransfer to post of small elements of Mtz Rifle Regt GERA from the direction of ERFURT.
10 August	Engineer unit, presumably Engr Bn ZEITHAIN, at water training site south of MUEHLBERG/Elbe.
10 and 11 August	Elements of Mtz Rifle Regt WEISSENFELS allegedly transferred to exercises in Thuringia.

(4) Mdi/KVP Verfuegungstruppen

prior to 29 July	Elements of Engr Regt KLIETZ at bridge building practices on Trittsee (lake) west-northwest of RATHENOW.
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d. Recruiting.

A directive of the Central Committee of the SED, dated 11 July, appreciated the success of the last recruiting campaign. At the same time, however, it ordered a 4-week evening course for all members of the SED and other mass organizations active in recruiting work, in order to eliminate deficiencies of recruiting procedures, particularly recruiting on the basis of coercion; coercion was to be discontinued at once. The latter measure apparently resulted from the large number of youths who had left the GDR. There was no fixed recruiting quota for the duration of the course. The KVP officers employed in recruiting work were withdrawn.

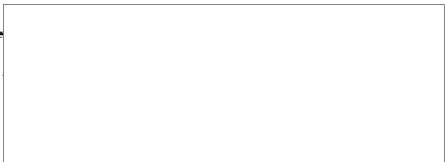
e. Miscellaneous.

- (1) The arrival of recruits continued throughout August. The 2d Mezz Regt KARPIN received 82 recruits. In early August, newly recruited officer aspirants arrived at several schools.
- (2) In early August, a border police headquarters under the command of a colonel was located in the Tannenhof Villa in PERLEBERG. It is undetermined whether a new Bereitschaft was inserted between the GRABOW and SALZWEDEL Bereitschaften or whether several Grenzbereitschaften were concentrated under the command of a higher headquarters.

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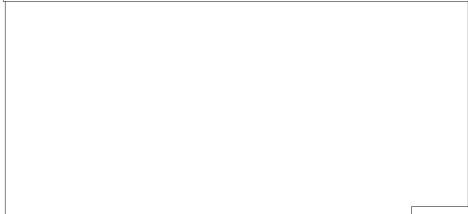
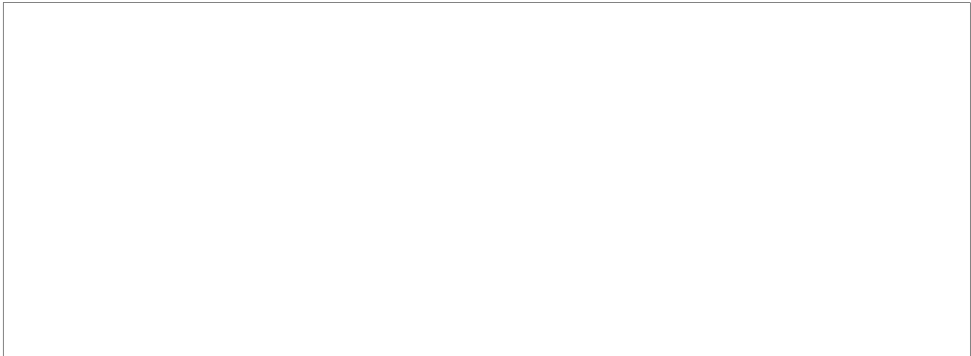
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(3) GST sub-leader courses were held in PREROW, BREEGE/Ruegen, SCHIRGISWALDE, GEORGENTHAL and SCHEIBE - ALSBACH.

9. Soviet Zone of Austria.

The bulk of the units of the CFG left Austria prior to 3 September. On that date, the following military posts were reported to have been evacuated:

VIENNA X	HAINBURG	EBREICHSDORF	
KORNEUBURG	ST. POELTEN	BLUMAU	
	inclusive military		
	post PRATZERN		
STOCKERAU		BRUCK	
KLOSTERNEUBURG	GAMING	FLORIDS DORF	50X1-HUM
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Exercises of Combat Divisions.

(early July to late August)

7 - 15 July	KETZIN - BUCHOW / KARPZOW area	<u>1st Mecz Div. and elements 2d elements 2d Light Arty Brig:</u> Tank, artillery and mechanized units at combat group or regimental exercises.
15 to 24 July	WITTSTOCK area	<u>1st Mecz Div:</u> Ten shipments with tank and artillery units from and to DOEBERITZ. The exercise proper was not observed.
12 July	JUETERBOG - WERDER - MARKENDORF area	<u>7th Gds Tank Div:</u> one company with T-34s, one battalion with field guns and one company with 37-mm AA guns were alternately employed in fire protection including defense of 3 attacking aircraft and movement with attack according to training scheme. (possibly part of a major exercise which could not be observed).
16/17 July	WITTSTOCK area	<u>12th Gds Tank Div:</u> regimental exercise.
17 - 23 July	REININGEN - OHRDRUF area	<u>39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div:</u> regimental exercise.
22 - 24 July	TEMPLIN area and southward	<u>25th Tank Div:</u> exercise at reinforced regimental level.
mid to late July	FREIENWALDE area and EBERSWALDE	<u>6th Gds Mecz Div:</u> two regimental exercises near posts.
18 July - 11 August	Saale section near BAD KOESEN	<u>57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div:</u> Rifle and How Regts NAUMBURG presumably continuous exercises with engineer soldiers.
22 to 30 July	GRIMMA - KOENIGSBRUECK area	<u>8th Gds Mecz Div:</u> units of GRIMMA post at exercise at reinforced regimental level.
25 to 27 July	Elbe section MUEHLBERG northwest ZEITZMAIN	<u>9th Tank Div:</u> Exercise at reinforced regimental level with river crossing.
23 - 27 July	Elbe section	
23 - 29 July	SCHWABENRICH area	<u>12th Gds Tank Div:</u> combined employment of tank and artillery units, regimental level?
1 August	BARUTH area east JUETERBOG	presumably <u>14th Gds Mecz Div?</u> at undetermined exercises.
3 August	RAMPNITZ area	<u>10th Gds Tank Div:</u> battalion or regimental exercise (only returning columns observed).

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6/7 August	TEMPLIN area	heavy artillery firing <u>25th Tank Div.(?)</u> .
8 August	WISMAR area	<u>94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div</u> ; Rifle and artillery regiments WISMAR exercise at reinforced regimental level.
8 - 15 August	Elbe section MUEHLBERG north- west ZEITHAIN	u/i units <u>First Gds Mecz Army</u> at combined exercises with river crossing.
7 - 12 August	WITTSTOCK area	Elements <u>12th Gds Tank Div.</u> and one light AAA regt/ <u>2d Gds AAA Div. from WUENSDORF</u> presumably at combat group exercise at more than regimental level.
16 - 26 August	NEUGLIENICKE area	<u>12th Gds Tank Div</u> ; presumably again at regimental exercise.
18 - 28 August	FORST ZEITZ training area	<u>36th Tank Regt/20th Gds Mecz Div</u> and one AT reft/ <u>308th Arty Brig</u> continually at joint exercises.
after 16 August - at least 1 September	KETZIN - BEHNITZ area west DOBERITZ	wheeled elements <u>1st Mecz Div.</u> and elements <u>2d Light Arty Brig</u> at presumably combat group exercises. (Tank units of the division were at the same time in LETZLING HEATH)
25 August	WARTENBURG - GALLIN/ Elbe area southeast WITTENBERG	<u>6th Gds Tank Div</u> river crossing with tanks at night.
24 August - 1 September	SPREMBERG - COTTBUS - LIEBEROSE - MUELLROSE area	First divisional exercise observed: 24/26 August, assembly of major tank units <u>7th Gds Mecz Div</u> in unloading area SPREMBERG, WOLFSHAIN, DOEBERN (17 shipments: 13 from FRANKFURT/ODER, each 2 from FUERSTENWALDE and KARLSHORST). 24 August departure of <u>Engr Bn/7th Gds Mecz Div.</u> and <u>Army RL Regt</u> from FUERSTENWALDE. 26 August each 1 shipment with artillery and tank units/ <u>10th Gds Tank D Div.</u> from WILDPARK to LIEBEROSE (probably enemy group). 26 August 1 shipment with u/i artillery unit from AUFENGRABOW to LIEBEROSE. 1/2 September large columns including 50 T-34s, 13 x 37-mm AA guns, 45 trucks with personnel and 30 motorcycles passed through MUELLROSE en route from the direction of BEESKOW toward FRANKFURT/Oder.

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1/2 September 2 shipments with troops
with JS tanks and SU-152
guns from the direction
of COTTBUS to FRANKFURT/
Oder.

(Compare information on fall exercise
of this division from 19 to 23
September 1954 with same unloading
stations and development of exercise.

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Activities of Soviet Army Units of GSFG between late July and late August 1955.

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66th Sig Regt	STAHNSDORF	In August, bulk at post; late August installations less occupied; no departure observed.
56th Motor Trans Regt	KUMMERSDORF	prior to 23 August, bulk at post.
u/i Engr Regt	BERNBURG	undetermined
36th Bridge Bldg Regt	MAGDEBURG	10 - 30 July, transferred from training area east of ROSSLAU to LUKOW because of floods; subsequently, again at previous training area. 28 August, installation (5287) in MAGDEBURG unoccupied.

IV Arty Corps

6th Arty Div.	RATHENOW BRANDENBURG	20 August, RATHENOW post unoccupied; bulk still at ALTENGRABOW. 26 July, bulk 124th Hvy How Brig returned from ALTENGRABOW in 5 shipments. 27 August, bulk left by road and rail upon alert and, on 31 August, returned from undetermined area.
34th Arty Div.	POTSDAM	21 July, 30th Gds Gun Arty Brig transferred to ALTENGRABOW in 4 shipments and allegedly returned on 19 August (unconfirmed). 21 July - 20 August, u/i Gun Arty Brig at post after return from ALTENGRABOW. early July to 20 August, 148th Gun Arty Brig assumed at ALTENGRABOW. 20 August, preparations for return of units at the installation (2291/92), which was occupied by rear details.
4th AT Brig	PRORA Ruegen	15 August, 2 shipments with heavy AT guns through STRALSUND to Ruegen. 15 August, 4 shipments from Ruegen to ALTENGRABOW. 19 August, 4 shipments with 17 x 85-mm guns and 11 x 45-mm AT guns returned from ALTENGRABOW. 16 August, column with 10 heavy and light AT guns from direction STRALSUND toward ROSTOCK. 27 August, loading exercise in the BINZ - BARTH area.

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3d Gds AT Brig

ROSTOCK

- 18 August, 2 shipments with 32 x 85-mm guns from ROSTOCK nach HILLERSLEBEN.
- 25 August, 1 shipment with 12 x 85-mm guns from TANGERHUELTE to ROSTOCK.
- 28 August, 1 shipment with 12 x 85-mm guns from LETZLINGEN to ROSTOCK.

AAA Divisions of GSFG.

2d Gds AAA Div.

- 10 August, 2 shipments from JUETERBOG back to RUEDERSDORF (HOPPE-GARTEN railroad station).
- 10 August, 2 shipments with 30 x 37-mm AA guns from WUENS DORF to FRETZDORF (WITTSTOCK area) presumably participated in exercise 12th Gds Tank Div.
- 19/20 August 2 shipments with 20 x 85-mm AA guns from WUSTROW to WUENS DORF (these units probably arrived in WUSTROW on 12 July).

6th Gds AAA Div.

CHEMNITZ

in August, no observations.

32d AAA Div.

FRANKFURT/Oder

in early August, new barracks buildings near ROSENGARTEN allegedly for elements 32d AAA Div.

KUESTRIN

- 12 August, units with 24 x 85-mm and 8 x 37-mm AA guns entrained.
- 12 August, 2 shipments KUESTRIN - JUETERBOG
- 15 August, 2 shipments KUESTRIN - JUETERBOG.

Eighth Gds Army.

Hq

WEIMAR - NOHRA

23 August, at post.

13th AAA Div.

WEIMAR

- 9 August, 2 shipments back from WUSTROW.
- 13 August, a unit with 4 x 85-mm AA guns entrained in WEIMAR.
- 26 August, installations 8501 and 8503 lightly occupied.

Army Arty Brigs

ALTENBURG

- 5 August, 4 shipments ALTENBURG - ALTENGRABOW.
- 12 August, 4 shipments from ALTENGRABOW back to ALTENBURG.

Army Sig units

WEIMAR

- 26 August, installation 8504 and 8507 allegedly lightly occupied.

220th Hv Tank SP Regt GLAUCHAU

19th Gds Engr Bn

WEIMAR -
BUCHENWALD

in August, no observations.

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XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps Hq		in August, no observations.
308th Arty Brig	GERA	29 July - 7 August, bulk at ALTENGRABOW: 7 August, 6 shipments ALTENGRABOW - GERA 12 August, 1 shipment ALTENGRABOW - GERA 18 August, AT Regt with elements 20th Gds Mecz Div. in FORST ZEITZ training area. 29 August, bulk at post.
316th Gds RL Regt	SAALFELD	1 August, a unit with 12 rocket launchers left toward BAD SCHWARZA. 8 August, 2 shipments from ALTENGRABOW back to SAALFELD 23 - 26 August bulk at post.
497th AAA Regt	RUDOLSTADT	4 July - 9 August, elements at WUSTROW, each 2 shipments to and from; 16 July, AAA emplacement near MOERLA EVACUATED evacuated. 13 August, 2 shipments with a total of 14 - 85-mm AA guns unloaded at RUDOLSTADT (presumably 16 July - 13 August WUSTROW).
39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div	PLAUEN	27 July, unit with 6 tanks or SU-76 guns unloaded in PLAUEN. 27 August, rifle regt/PLAUEN at post, gun arty regt/PLAUEN absent. No observations at OHRDRUF.
	SAALFELD	11 August, engr bn at exercises on Saale River near HOHENWARTHE. 23 - 26 August, at post.
20th Gds Mecz Div.	JENA and WEIMAR ZEITZ	prior to 26 August, installations unoccupied. 28 August, bulk absent from post; 36th Gds Tank Regt in ZEITZ FOREST. Shipments: 8 August, 1 shipment ALTENGRABOW - JENA 9 August, 1 shipment ALTENGRABOW - CRAWINKEL 21 August, 1 shipment JENA - ALTENGRABOW 26 August, 1 shipment ZEITZ - HALDENSLEBEN with tank detail
XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps	NAUMBURG	8 August, 27th Gds Sig Bn, installation 8384 vacant. 8 August, u/i Engr Bn, installation 8382 rear details.
498th AAA Regt	NAUMBURG	10 August, 4 shipments NAUMBURG - WUSTROW (1 shipment with 12 x 37-mm AA guns and 3 shipments with undetermined AA guns).

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94th Gds RL Regt	LEIPZIG	13 - 24 August, bulk apparently at installation (S.S.), since July. 4 new-type rocket launchers with barrels of approximately 100 mm caliber observed.
76th Arty Brig	MERSEBURG	27 July - 5 August, bulk at Altengrabow (each 4 shipments to and from).
57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div	NAUMBURG	22 April - 8 August, Div Hq and Sig Bn absent.
	WEISSENFELS	18 July - 8 August, regimental exercise 170th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt with elements 655th How Regt in KOESENZ area.
		29 April - 27 August, 174th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt absent.
	GOTHA	Prior to 27 August, bulk 17th Gds Tank Regt at post, presumably rotated to FORST ZEITZ for training.
		26 July, 1 tank detail to HALDENSLEBEN.
		1 August, 2 tank details from HALDENSLEBEN back to KINDEL.
		27 August, installations lightly occupied.
		2 September, installations apparently occupied to capacity; return of units not observed.
21st Gds Mecz Div	HALLE and LOSSA	in August, no observations.
<u>Third Shock Army.</u>		
	MAGDEBURG	10 August, Hq and army signal units at post
3d Gds AAA Div.	MAGDEBURG	6 August, 2 shipments returned from WUSTROW
		9 August, 1 shipment to WUSTROW
		20 August, 1 shipment to WUSTROW (?)
136th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt	BURG	7 - 16 August, tank units continually rotated between BURG and HALDENSLEBEN.
20th Army AT Brig	BRANDENBURG	prior to 25 August, presumably in Waldlager southeast JAEVENITZ; expected to return to post in late September.
LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps	STENDAL	22 August, corps engr and sig bns absent.
604th Arty Brig	BURG	1 August, 2 shipments to LETZLING HEATH. 4 and 6 August, 3 shipments with 16 x 152-mm field howitzers and 12 x 100-mm AT guns from TANGERHUNETTE/JAEVENITZ back to BURG.

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207th Mtz Rifle Div.	STENDAL	26 August, elements Mtz Rifle Regt and How Regt at post. 9 August, installation 5583 and 22 August, installation 5584 vacant.
	GARDELEGEN	8 August, installation 5101 and 5102 lightly occupied.
	QUEDLINBURG	13 August, 1 shipment with light AA guns ALTENGRABOW - QUEDLINBURG
19th Gds Mecz Div.	MAGDEBURG	28 August, bulk at post.
	HALBERSTADT	9 August, 1 shipment with light AT guns JAEVENITZ - HALBERSTADT. 13 August, 1 shipment with light AT guns ALTENGRABOW - HALBERSTADT.
	HILLERSLEBEN	1 July - 6 August, elements AAA regt WUSTROW (1 shipment to and from).
IX Mtz Rifle Corps 4th Gds Arty Brig	SCHWERIN	17 - 28 July, major elements at LETZLING HEATH (each 4 shipments to and from). 22 July, night firing practice with 10 x 152-mm gun howitzers in Die Lewitz training area south LUDWIGSLUST. 28 August, 3 shipments with 16 x 152-mm field howitzers and 18 x 100-mm AT guns to GARDELEGEN.
94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div	SCHWERIN	25 July, installation 5544 lightly occupied.
	WISMAR	31 July - 23 August, units at post. 8 August, regimental exercise near post.
18th Mecz Div		prior to late August, bulk at LETZLING HEATH.
	PERLEBERG	20 August, elements Mort Regt at post; PERLEBERG units expected to return from LETZLING HEATH on 20 September.
First Gds Mecz Army	MUEHLBERG engineer training site	25 - 27 July and 8 - 15 August, each one river crossing practice of mixed units (25 - 27 July see 9th Tank Div).
n/i Arty Brig	KOENIGSBRUECK	15 - 19 August, at JUETERBOG (5 shipments KOENIGSBRUECK - FORST ZINNA 3 shipments back).
n/i RL Regt	MEISSEN	21 July - 19 August, at JUETERBOG (3 shipments MEISSEN - FORST ZINNA and 3 back) Units with rocket launchers confirmed in FORST ZINNA area

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4th Gds AAA Div.	DRESDEN/ KOENIGSBRUECK	no observations.
8th Gds Mecz Div.	GRIMMA	22 - 30 July, regimental exercise in GRIMMA - KOENIGSBRUECK area.
		15 August, 1 shipment with a light AAA company 57-mm from KOENIGSBRUECK to GRIMMA.
	BORNA	28 August, installation unoccupied
	LEISNIG	22 July, 1 shipment from JUETERBOG
	WURZEN	24 July, 1 shipment from JUETERBOG
	KOENIGSBRUECK	late August, major elements of division from LEIPZIG, and bulk Mecz Regt WURZEN still assumed stationed in SCHWEPNITZ area.
9th Tank Div.	ZEITHAIN	22 - 27 July, river crossing practice near MUEHLBERG/Elbe.
		10 - 19 August, tank units from RIESA and OSCHATZ in company strength alternately at individual firing with T-54-s (each 15 to 20).
11 Gds Tank Div.	KOENIGSBRUECK	12 August, bulk tank regt MEISSEN at KOENIGSBRUECK.
		3 August, 1 tank detail MEISSEN - LETZLING HEATH.
		23 August, unit with 17 T-34s unloaded at KOENIGSBRUECK - Ost railroad station; left toward training grounds.
<u>Third Gds Mecz Army.</u>		
8th	JUETERBOG (3207)	18 August, no changes.
62d AAA Div.	KOCHSTEDT	8 July - 26 August, elements at WUSTROW (3 shipments left DESSAU - KOCHSTEDT 8 July, 1 shipment and 2 shipment totaling 24 x 85-mm AA guns returned DESSAU on 23 and 26 August respectively).
	JUETERBOG	16 August, 2 shipments with light AA guns FORST ZINNA - ALTENGRAEBOW
91st Gds RL Regt	LUCKENWALDE	prior to 18 August at post.
55th Engr Regt	SPERENBERG	24 and 30 July, each 1 shipment of special amphibious unit left for undetermined destination.
		6/7 August, 2 shipments with a total of 16 track-laying amphibious vehicles and 12 amphibious vehicles with wheels returned.
		22 August, bulk of engr units at installation on Schumke Lake (3441).

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14th Gds Mecz Div.	JUETERBOG	1 August, undetermined exercises in the BARUTH area, presumably regimental exercise 14th Gds Mecz Div. Prior to late August, assumed stationed in JUETERBOG area.
6th Gds Tank Div	WITTENBERG	after 1 August, bulk of division again in training area southeast WITTENBERG; presumably returned from RHEINSDOEF area southeast JUETERBOG. 25 August, river crossing practices with tanks in Elbe section WARTENBURG at night. 15 August, 10 T-34s and 4 SU-100 guns, presumably firing detail, loaded in WITTENBERG.
7th Gds Tank Div.	Camp WERDER - MARKENDORF	prior to 26 August, bulk of division in training area.
	ROSSLAU	24 August, 1 tank detail with 20 T-34 and JS-3 tanks, personnel and women from ROSSLAU to LETZLING HEATH.
	ZERBST	23 August, 1 shipment with 8 x 85-mm AA guns WUSTROW - ZERBST.
9th Mecz Div.	COTTBUS	5 August, 2 shipments with 9 T-34s and 15 trucks of 69th Mecz Regt unloaded in WUENSDOEF. 15 August, 2 shipments WUENSDOEF - HALDENSLEBEN: 14 - 24 August, tank and artillery units rotated between COTTBUS and LIEBEROSE (3 shipments to and 2 from).
<u>Fourth Gds Mecz Army.</u>		
	FEERSWALDE	prior to 24 August, Hq and bulk of army troops at post.
63d AAA Div.	FEERSWALDE	8 July to 15 August, elements at WUSTROW (each 4 shipments to and from).
	FEERSTENWALDE	15 August, unit with 10 x 85-mm AA guns entrained.
		30 June - 14 August, elements at WUSTROW (each 2 shipments to and from).
71st Light Arty Brig	BERNAU	18 - 26 August, only elements at post, (possibly participating in exercise 7th Gds Mecz Div?)

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312th Gds RL Regt FUERSTENBERG see 7th Gds Mecz Div, [redacted]

6th Gds Mecz Div. prior to 29 August, bulk of division at the posts.
 BERNAU 15 August, a tank firing detail BERNAU - LETZLING HEATH;
 20 August, engr bn in bivouac north of BERNAU.
 FREIENWALDE 20 - 29 August, battalion exercises near post.
 EBERSWALDE 18 - 26 August, units in post area.

7th Gds Mecz Div. prior to mid-August, at posts; 24 August 2 September, division exercise [redacted]

10th Gds Tank Div POTSDAM 23 - 26 July, engr bn at exercises on Havel River in WERDER AREArea.
 4 August, arty units returned from TEMPLIN.
 KRAMPNITZ 5 August, units at training near post (battalion or regimental exercise?)
 13 - 19 August, large tank units at LETZLING HEATH, presumably for firing practices; (13 August, 12 T-34s and 53 armored personnel carriers seen at loadings; 19 August, 110 T-54s at unloadings).
 26 August, see exercise 7th Gds Mecz Div, [redacted] 50X1-HUM

25th Tank Div. VOGELSANG 22 - 24 July, exercise at reinforced regimental level in TEMPLIN area and southward;
 6/7 August, heavy artillery firing in Templin area;
 29 August, individual firing tanks.
 PRENZLAU 20 August, bulk at post.

Second Gds Mecz Army.

Hq FUERSTENBERG 24 August, Hq and Sig regt at post

88th Engr Regt NEUBRANDENBURG 5 August, at exercises near post (Tollense-Lake).

31st AAA Div. SCHOENWALDE 7 and 21 August, each 1 shipment to WUSTROW.

2d Light Arty Brig DOEBERITZ 16/17 August, loadings (for ALTENGRABOW or exercises of 1st Mecz Div ?)

90th RL Regt SCHOENWALDE 1 August, 1 shipment to JUETERBOG.
 20 August, installation partially occupied.

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9th Gds Tank Div.	NEUSTRELITZ	prior to 24 August, bulk in post area. 5 - 15 August, tank units continually in SPECK - GRANZIN training area.
12th Gds Tank Div.	NEURUPPIN	7 - 12 August, exercise at reinforced regimental level, presumably with elements 2d Gds AAA Div, in WITTSTOCK area. 16 - 26 August, one or two more regimental exercises in WITTSTOCK - NEUGLIENICKE area. 22 - 26 August, individual combat firing with T-54s in GENTZRODE area. 27 August, bulk at post. 21 August, shipment with 10 T-34s and 20 men ALTRUPPIN - HALDENSLEBEN (possibly turning in of tanks ?).
1st Mecz Div.	DOEBERITZ	13 - 24 July, exercise at reinforced regimental level in Wittstock area. 16 August, wheeled elements including enr bn with elements 2d Light Arty Brig to KETZIN - BEHNITZ area (west DOEBERITZ training grounds) presumably for combat group exercises. These elements not yet returned on 1 September. 16 August, 14 shipments with tank units to HALDENSLEBEN and, on 28 August, back from area GARDELEGEN, JAEVENITZ, VINZELBERG (therefore, presumably firing practices at SALCHAU firing range). 1 September, tank units again at indivi- dual exercises in the DOEBERITZ area. 3 - 13 August, elements RL Bn at JUETERBOG (each 1 shipment to and from).

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